the applicant belongs to any particular taluk. So there will be no difficulty in paying the amounts to Talappalli or Chittur taluks, if there are applications.

Mr. P. Krishna Menon.—Are we to understand that all the applications have been sanctioned in regard to Talappalli and Chittur taluks?

Mr. U. Kandar Menon.—All applications which could be sanctioned according to the rules must have been sanctioned. I cannot say that no application has been rejected.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Will you please look into the matter and see that there is no disproportion in the matter of distribution of these loans? The Government will also see that the whole amount is distributed according to the taluks and then divide the amount among the applicants.

Mr. U. Kandar Menon.—Government will consider that.

Kunnamkulam—Tiruthikkad road—provision for.

48. **Mr. K. T. Mathew.**—With reference to question No. 586 answered on the 31st March 1933, will the Government be pleased to inform—

(a) what amount has already been spent;

(b) whether the whole amount will be utilised before the end of the current year; and if not

(c) what is the reason for allowing to lapse a part of the amount provided in the budget for the second time?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—(a) No amount has till now been spent.

(b) It may be possible to spend the major portion of the allotment this year.

(c) Delay in land acquisition.

Aqueduct—restoring of.

49. **Mr. K. T. Mathew.**—Will the Government be pleased to state with reference to the reply to question No. 598, dated the 31st March 1933:—

(a) whether the damaged aqueduct has been restored to the condition in which it was soon after its construction; and if not

(b) what is the reason for not doing so;

(c) whether it is the policy of the department not to restore to its original condition works which have been damaged by floods;

(d) why did the Government construct the aqueduct as a permanent work, if temporary arrangements would have been sufficient;

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(e) why did the officer who had once recommended the construction of the aqueduct as a permanent work later on recommend that temporary arrangements made every year would serve the purpose well;

(f) what is the reason for not answering the latter portion of sub-division (h);

(g) whether its answer will now be furnished;

(h) whether representations or petitions have been received by the Government to extend the channel and make it more useful;

(i) whether the request has been granted; and if not

(j) what is the reason for not extending the irrigation facilities prayed for;

(k) whether the extension of the channel will be useful to the ryots?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—(a) No.

(b) If it is restored to the old condition it is likely to be again damaged.

(c) Wherever possible works damaged by any cause whatever are modified during reconstruction so as to eliminate the weak points, if any, in the design.

(d) The levels in the supply channel did not permit the aqueduct being placed above high water. The idea therefore was that the trough plates should be removed before the arrival of floods. If this were done, no damage would have resulted. The abnormal floods of 1106 came in at a very unusual period and this prevented the troughs being removed in time by the watchman. On account of this uncertainty it was thought that the aqueduct could be supported on temporary struts every year after floods.

(e) Vide answer to sub-division (d). Even in the original work, the design demanded the removal of trough plates during floods.

(f) It was an omission.

(g) Yes. (1) 12—2—1107
(2) 27—8—1107 and
(3) 15—2—1108.

(h) Yes.

(i) No.

(j) The Member is referred to the answer to the question No. 107 of the Vrischigam Session.

(k) Yes.

Road—Cheruvallikkadavu.

50. Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

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